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Ex-Swedish Aide Tells of Passing Secrets to Soviet

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STOCKHOLM, May 26-Stig Wennerström, the confessed Swedish spy and double agent, has told interrogators that he sold United States nuclear weapons secrets to the Soviet Union, according to a report issued today.

No details on the weapons involved were given in the 600 pages of the pretrial interrogation that were published by the Government.

The report quoted Wennerström, a former Swedish Air Force colonel and air attaché, as having said that, when he was air attache in Washington, two American intelligence officers had asked him for information about the Soviet Union, where he had been stationed previously.

Wennerström was said to have told the police that the two officers believed he was working for the United States, when, in fact, he was selling a "lot of information" about American defense to the Soviet

According to the report, he said he had sold secrets about the United States Strategic Air Command and its nuclear capa-

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bility to Russian intelligence in 1952. He also was reported to have supplied information on the American air defense system and new airpiane construction.

He contended that he obtained the information from many American sources, including Pentagon officials.

"The opportunities to get the publications that interested me were fantastic," the 57-year-old agent told his interrogators. "I had no need to take expense into consideration, so I was able to travel around inside American and Canada to air force bases! headquarters, factories and so on."

"The take for me was easier than my Russian principal could imagine," he said. "Thanks to my part as a double agent, it was sometimes ridiculously easy."

He said he was often given information by Americans, pos-sibly because some of them were trying to seil new weapons to the Sweidsh Air Force and Arm

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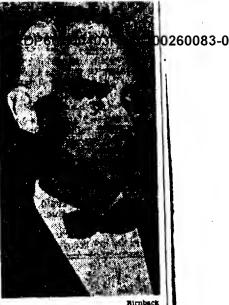
The police report quotes Wennerstrom as having said that he began spying for Germany in 1940. At that time he was air force attache in Moscow. He has said to have provided the Germans with secret maps of the Finnish-Soviet border.

The report said that he began spying for the Soviet Union in 1948, soon after his secind appointment to Moscow as an air attaché. He was reported to have said that, in a discussion with other Swedish officers, someone said it would be inter-

esting to know how the Rus-sians recruited their agents.
"Gradually I decided to try to be recruited myself," Wennerstrom said. He approached the Russian attaché in Stockholm, identified as Rebatchenkov. The Soviet Union was afraid that the United States was building a secret airfield system in Sweden, and Mr. Rebatchenkov asked Wennerstrom for information about an airfield outside Stockholm, the report said.

Wennerstrom said he jokingly repiled: "Yes, if it is so important I will tell you what I know for 5,000 crawns [about \$1,000]." Wenners from told that police that when he next saw, the Russian, at a carty, he was handed a parcel containing that sum. He later parraised the Russians with a man of the airfield,

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